

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3037**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH, 2022/ CHAITRA 1, 1944 (SAKA)**

**INCREASE USE OF SANSKRIT IN OFFICIAL WORK**

**3037. SHRI KUNWAR PUSHPENDRA SINGH CHANDEL:  
SHRIMATI MALA RAJYA LAXMI SHAH:**

**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

**(a) the details of the steps being taken by the Government for dissemination of Sanskrit language;**

**(b) whether the Government proposes to increase the use of Sanskrit in official work;**

**(c) if so, the details thereof;**

**(d) whether the Government also proposes to create new posts for Sanskrit translators; and**

**(e) if so, the details thereof?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS  
(SHRI AJAY KUMAR MISHRA)**

**(a): The details of the steps being taken by the Government for dissemination of Sanskrit language is annexed.**

**(b) & (c): As per Article 343(1) of the Constitution, the Official Language of the Union shall be Hindi in Devnagari script, the form of numerals to be used for the official purposes of the Union shall be the international form of Indian numerals. As per Article 351 of the Constitution, it shall be the**

**duty of the Union to promote the spread of the Hindi language, to develop it so that it may serve as a medium of expression for all the elements of the composite culture of India and to secure its enrichment by assimilating without interfering with its genius, the forms, style and expressions used in Hindustani and in the other languages of India specified in the Eighth Schedule, and by drawing, wherever necessary or desirable, for its vocabulary, primarily on Sanskrit and secondarily on other languages.**

**(d) & (e): No, Sir.**

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**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PART (A) OF THE REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3037 FOR ANSWER ON 22/03/2022 REGARDING “INCREASE USE OF SANSKRIT IN OFFICIAL WORK”**

The Central Government promotes Sanskrit language through three Central Sanskrit Universities viz. Central Sanskrit University, Delhi, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University, New Delhi and National Sanskrit University, Tirupati. Further, various schemes of the Government for promotion of Sanskrit are being implemented through Central Sanskrit University, Delhi.

A list of schemes implemented for promotion of Sanskrit language through Central Sanskrit University is given below.

- 1) Scheme of the Presidential Award of Certificate of Honour and Maharshi Badarayan Vyas classical samman Award to Sanskrit, Pali / Prakrit, Arabic and Persian Scholars other classical language.
- 2) All India Merit Sanskrit Scholarship Scheme (Award of Scholarships to Students of Pathshalas/Mahavidyalayas / High / Higher Secondary Schools / Colleges)
- 3) Financial assistance to the institutions recognized as Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya / Shodha Sansthan.
- 4) Financial Assistance for Sanskrit Teaching -Teachers for Modern Subjects in Traditional Sanskrit Pathshalas/Mahavidyalayas.
- 5) Financial Assistance for Sanskrit Teachers in State Government Schools.
- 6) Financial Assistance to NGOs / Universities for various Research Projects and Programmes /Activities for promotion of Sanskrit.
- 7) Financial Assistance for Vocational Training Scheme.
- 8) Financial Assistance for Utilization of services of retired / eminent literary Sanskrit Scholars (Shastra Chudamani).
- 9) Financial Assistance for Publication, Re-print of Rare Sanskrit Books and Bulk Purchase of Sanskrit Books.
- 10) Samman Rashi to poor Eminent Sanskrit Pandits who are above 55 years of age.
- 11) All India Sanskrit Elocution Contest.
- 12) Sanskrit Dictionary Project, Deccan College, Pune.
- 13) Ashtaadashi (18 Projects for sustaining growth of Sanskrit language).

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